

# 2023-2024 Cottage School Program

Weekly News--Week of October 23

If wrinkles must be written on our brows, let them not be written upon the heart. The spirit should never grow old.

~ James A. Garfield

Do you ever take before and after pictures to document a journey you've been on, like a hike up a 14er? Or do you ever look at old pictures from your childhood or your early adult years? Or maybe pictures of your own children when they were born and compare them to more recent pictures? Doing any of the above will undoubtedly leave you reminiscing on the ups and downs you faced in the moments forever captured in those photographs. We know that life presents challenges we have no choice but to face. Hardship and setbacks are inevitable, and sometimes we find ourselves trudging through seasons of life that feel endless. While the wrinkles on our face and scars on our body serve as evidence of these trying time, what growth do they represent? When we feel beaten down, we must always remember that the difficulties in life tend to have silver linings, outcomes that hopefully remind us that we are stronger and wiser than we were before.

Enjoy this final full week of October!

In Partnership,

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## Announcements

### **NEW and STILL IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

**1. PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES** will take place the week of October 30th during your child(ren)'s regularly scheduled school day. There will be no CSP classes on campus for students this week. Links to sign up for conferences will be coming from grade level teachers THIS WEEK! Click [here](#) for a master

list of all teacher sign-ups. Note: Our Specials teachers will not have scheduled conference times. Rather, they will be available for parents to reach out to them for individual meetings each day.

- Mrs. Dalrymple will be here 10:00 AM-12 Noon each day (room 127). Drop-ins welcome.
- Mrs. Socolofsky will be here 12 Noon-3:00 each day (8-11 Thursday) (room 127). Please contact her to schedule a time to meet ([jsocolofsky@asd20.org](mailto:jsocolofsky@asd20.org)).
- Coach Anderson will be here 12 Noon-2:00 PM each day (PE office in gym). Drop-ins welcome.

**2. Meet our new front office assistant** - Mrs. Kristeen Murillo officially joined the CSP/CP front office last week. If you have an opportunity, welcome her to her new position.

**3. District 20 Mill Levy Override (MLO) Informational Meeting** – Tuesday, October 24, 2023, from 6-7pm. District 20 CFO, Becky Allen, is hosting a virtual MLO info session just for TCA families. Click the link to attend via Microsoft Teams. [Educational MLO Presentation for TCA Community](#)

**4. Student photos in Infinite Campus** - If you recognize your student's photo in Infinite Campus is incorrect, please let Mr. Peterson or Mrs. Hille know.

**5. PARENT SPALDING CLASSES** are being offered on the evening of Thursday, October 26th, and Thursday, November 2nd. See below flyer for more information. (Live link [here.](#))

**6. TCA Veterans Day Assembly** - Friday, November 10, from 9:30 - 10:45 AM, at TCA North (main gym). If you and your family members would like to attend, please complete [THIS](#) RSVP form by Friday, November 3.

**7. TCA High School Theatre Department presents the Anastasia Musical.** Shows are November 9th, 10th, and 11th at 7:00 pm and November 12th at 3:00 pm and November 16th, 17th, and 18th at 7:00 pm. Tickets for Adults are \$12, Children and Students are \$6, Staff and Senior Citizens are \$8 and Titan Club Members no cost. Purchase your tickets online at: <https://www.payschoolsevents.com/events/details/28379>

## **8. WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA**

As TCA continues to support the Wreaths Across America Program, there are several ways you can participate. TCA Families can donate a wreath to be placed at Pikes Peak National Cemetery (deadline Nov. 28th) or volunteer for the wreath laying ceremony on Saturday, December 16th @ 9:00am. Please click [wreathscrossamerica.org/co0024](http://wreathscrossamerica.org/co0024) for more information.

**9. Coming Soon to TCA Cottage School...A fundraiser with heART (flyer below)!** We are partnering with SilverGraphics to celebrate creativity and raise needed funds for our school! Your child has been working hard on an art project at school. We're opening a private **Online Art Shop** for you to view your child's art and order personalized products such as journals, magnets, ceramic mugs, canvas totes, and ornaments. You'll be able to upload additional art and favorite photos from home too! Art keepsakes make great mementos and unique gifts for family and friends! Watch for Order Catalogs coming soon...

**10. October Lunch Menu** can be found [here](#).

**11.** The newest issue of the **Palmarium** can be found [here](#).

**12. TCA Athletic Game Safety** – All Elementary and Junior High students who attend TCA athletic events must sit with an adult during the event for supervision purposes. Unfortunately, we have

noticed types of behavior that could lead to injury or students getting in trouble. We desire to promote a safe atmosphere for all spectators; thus, no personal sporting or toy ball of any kind will be allowed into events. We thank you for your partnership in this endeavor.

**13. Looking for ways to bless our staff? Food is always welcome!** We have a "Sunshine Cabinet" in the Staff Lounge that we like to keep stocked with snacks and goodies for staff members to enjoy throughout the week. If ever you want to contribute a treat to the cabinet (whether store bought or homemade, savory or sweet), items can be dropped off in the CSP/CP office.

# Spalding for Parents Class

Thursday Evenings  
October 26<sup>th</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup>  
5 pm – 8 pm  
TCA Central Campus  
1655 Springs Crest Road

During this two-session class, you will learn phonograms, spelling rules, comprehension strategies, and ways to support your child in reading and writing.

The cost for the class is \$10. Please register at TCA's Pay School Events by October 20<sup>th</sup>.

<https://tinyurl.com/TCA-Parent-Spalding-Class> or



If fewer than 10 participants have registered for the class by October 20<sup>th</sup>, the class will be cancelled, and all money refunded.

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### Typing Pal Log-In Instructions (Grades 3-6 Only)

Typing Pal is a learn-to-type program that we offer at no charge to all of our upper elementary students. There is no requirement to participate; it's simply something families may use as part of their home school curricula if students desire to learn/master basic typing skills. Log-in instructions are below.

1. Go to <https://clascott.typingpal.com>
2. Each student's **user name** is the first letter of his/her first name (as given in Infinite Campus; not a nickname) followed by the student's last name (i.e. shille would be the username for Stefani Hille).
3. The **password** is identical for each student—*titans*—UNLESS a student was with us previously and changed his/her account to a unique password. Once students are logged in, they may change their password to something unique to them.
4. Questions or trouble logging in? Contact Stef Hille at [shille@asd20.org](mailto:shille@asd20.org).



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